

THE PARISH COUNCIL OF NEWLANDS

MINUTES OF THE RESCHEDULED FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 14th APRIL 2023 AT NEWLANDS COMMUNITY HALL, NEWLANDS AVENUE, WATERLOOVILLE, PO7 3BX COMMENCING AT 7.30 pm – held after the Annual Parish meeting.

Members:	Cllr D Crichton (Chair)	(P)	Cllr O Barneveld	(P)
	Cllr A Berry	(P)	Cllr A Carden	
	Cllr A Kirby		Cllr J Parry	
	Cllr L Price	(P)	Cllr M Read	(P)
	Cllr C Brook			

Also present, County Councillor Patricia Stallard, District Councillor Neil Cutler. Chris Chamberlain and Sandy Philips-Lee, Gordon Tate – Responsible Financial Officer and Karen Seear - Clerk to the Council.

- **110/23C** Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllrs Carden, Kirby, Parry and Brook.
- **111/23C Declarations of Interest:** Cllr M Read declared an interest as he is a Ward Councillor for Winchester City Council.
- **112/23C Minutes:**

The minutes from the previous Full Council meeting held on 16th February 2023 had previously been approved and signed at the Full Council meeting held 30th March 2023. **NOTED.**

- 113/23C Matters arising and outstanding matters from Previous Minutes: Any matters arising will be dealt with throughout the meeting.
- **114/23C Public Participation:** Chris Chamberlain and Sandy Phillips-Lee are both standing for election. They introduced themselves to the council.

115/23C County and District Councillors Reports:

- a) C/Cllr Stallard had written a report (previously circulated) She wished to remind everyone about the closing date for coronation grant applications, 21st April 2023. Only one application can be made by any individual/organization per calendar year. She went on to report that the Government had allocated a further £200 million pounds for highways work. Of that £200 million, Hampshire are to receive just over £5million. That on top of the £17 million previously allocated should make a difference to the work required to fix pot-holes etc. this equates to around 6 months' worth of highways work. The Chairman mentioned Aston Road in Waterlooville, this road is in particularly bad condition. C/Cllr Stallard suggested that the Chair report it through the HCC website. Cllr Berry wished to mention the recent floods on the Asda roundabout. C/Cllr Stallard reported that Hampshire Highways currently have a huge volume of work to get through. Drains may be blocked. The problems are being logged.
- b) D/Cllr Read gave a verbal report. WCC had entered the purdah period, and have effectively closed down during this time. He had had a meeting with Dawn Adey, WCC Strategic Director. They had spoken about HBC land. The item will be covered further into the meeting. There are several major projects planned. There is not a planned program for how these will be carried out. All of the projects are planned within the central Winchester, no projects are taking place as far out as the parish.
- c) D/Cllr Cutler gave a verbal report. The central Winchester regeneration project has previously been a failed project, but is now gaining momentum. A development partner has been identified and the project has been received well. This project has taken a lot of time and money, but it is hopefully worth it. The scheme to retro-fit council houses is continuing but does come with difficulties. Tenants with lower energy ratings were asked

if they'd like to have work to improve energy efficiency carried out. The response to this was great.

A fly-tipping prosecution case had taken place. The WCC fly-tipping officer is an expolice officer. Fly-tipping still remains an issue, making a prosecution is positive news. D/Cllr Cutler mentioned that he had attended a meeting between Flick Drummond MP and Southern Water. It was an interesting meeting and there was a good turnout. SW have a lot of work to do. D/Cllr Cutler suggested keeping the pressure on to ensure they do what they have promised. He went on to welcome any questions. Cllr Read queried proposed site plans for the development, in relation to the local plan, they are due to be re-issued. Some clarity is required. This needs to ideally be done before regulation 19. This is due to the fact that there are no guidelines regarding Travellers etc. If any changes are required, it will be very difficult to make these before regulation 19. **NOTED.**

116/23C Parish Matters:

- Developments and Adoptions: The Chairman spoke about a response received from a representative at Hampshire Highways regarding enforcement. It had previously been queried whether enforcement could take place on the highways sooner rather than later, as it may be possible to sign a different type of agreement. Grainger had also been in talks with the representative. It was thought the whole process to complex to consider at this stage. The Chairman went on to report that the section 104 agreement with LEEP is moving forwards in the right direction. The adoption process with Grainger is also moving ahead. He had spoken with Craig Stainton, Havant Borough Council's estate manager about the adoption of some of the HBC owned land. It is thought it will be a complicated process and requires detailed discussion.
- (b) <u>Community Group</u>: Work towards the Coronation event continues and this will be taking place shortly. No other update had been received.
- HBC Land: Cllr Read wished to raise an issue to which he had obtained further information. The hold up regarding the land transfer is due to an issue with Southern Water. The problem lies with HBC and is something that requires them to sort it out. **NOTED.** It was suggested that the Chief Executive of Winchester be invited to a council meeting and to also invite Sharon Evans from WCC to a meeting to discuss the joint-planning committee and current on-going land adoption issues. **NOTED.**

A discussion took place regarding the need to continue the work with the Joint Planning committee. Cllr Read mentioned many reasons as to why the committees work is so important, including planning and considerations for the upcoming health centre and the blue star development land. **NOTED.** C/Cllr Stallard believes that the Joint Planning committee is required to ensure democracy and to ensure elected people are given a voice. At the moment it is felt they are not getting their views across. **NOTED.**

Bi-monthly Grainger meetings: The Chairman stated that he felt these meetings continue to be (d) useful. He updated to say the deed of variation is required, there are hopes that the Parish Council will be included as a third party for the 106 agreements. It may be preferable to leave as is at the moment and establish a process for all land coming across to the parish from WCC. In the cases of HBC land, to consider the options available. HBC could retain the title and engage Newlands to manage land or HBC could transfer the title to Newlands PC. Cllr Read suggested becoming a third party to the agreement as soon as possible. NOTED. The Chairman is chasing this with Bryony Stalla and Grainger. The Chairman went on to mention that Grainger have agreed that the council can have a working compound within an area close by to the community hall. The area will be available for around 4 years. This gives the council sufficient time to find a permanent solution. NOTED. Grainger have been extremely helpful with this. They had also assisted the council in the placement of a speed monitor device which is now up and running within the development. The Chairman wished to record thanks to Chris Williams from Grainger for his help. Cllr Berry queried fences in the Town Park. Who will be responsible for fencing the two sides of the road off? This is a Highways responsibility. The Chairman stated that there are many factors for consideration and issues such as this will get dealt with during meetings with Grainger. He mentioned that working with Grainger is proving beneficial. **NOTED.**

117/23C Communications:

Website: The website was up to date and there were no issues to report.

<u>Correspondence:</u> A letter had been received from Bryony Stalla (Savills) She had answered some of the questions that the council had raised regarding phase 11. It had been unclear what number of dwellings are being proposed and which parts of land they are to come from and how it effects the remaining houses. The communication from Bryony had been circulated. The Chairman went on to speak about questions he had raised with Savills and Redrow regarding EV charging points. Grainger do not appear to be considering infrastructure for this. Redrow had informed the council that they will be trying to provide this. HBC have committed to the fact that all new developments will be providing this infrastructure. Grainger stated that they would retro-fitting EV chargers upon national legislation. The council believes this is considered not to be the best approach.

118/23C Outside Bodies:

- a) <u>Southern Parishes:</u> The Chairman reported that they had a presentation from the deputy Police and Crime Commissioner regarding policing boundaries at the meeting. He reported that the intention is to go back to geographical based policing. A response to this is awaited. This means the development will be policed by Waterlooville, not Bishops Waltham. **NOTED.**
- b) <u>WACA:</u> Correspondence had been received from WACA regarding the community building and health and safety/safeguarding aspects. A meeting with Grainger will be arranged. Grainger had suggested a few options for consideration, including not hiring the hall when they are working in the office. Grainger had also agreed that the Parish Council could carry out works to the blinds and paint and replace anything required in the community hall. **NOTED.**

119/23C Finance:

- a) Orders for Payment: it was unanimously RESOLVED that the payments detailed on the orders for payment list 14 should be APPROVED in the sum of £3,535.88 including VAT and that further payments of £3,304.49 including VAT were RATIFIED and that nil receipts are NOTED.
- Amenities Storage/Office Facility and vehicle: Cost figures had been provided from the Parish Warden and previously circulated. It was UNAMINMOUSLY RESOLVED to agree to the works necessary to obtain the temporary storage facility/compound and vehicle. Hire of the temporary building costs approximately £151.00 per week. Preliminary work costs, £3,170.00 + VAT and this is required before any units placed within the compound. Cllr Price reminded members that internet provision needs to be considered. He had a suggestion for this and he will pass details on to the clerk. NOTED.
- 121/23C Community Group Grant Request: This item had been bought forward at the original Full Council meeting on 30th March 2023 and had been approved. **NOTED.**
- **Allotments:** Cllr Kirby had suggested becoming members of the allotment society, details previously circulated. It was agreed that the council should become members, no objections were raised. **NOTED.**
- Bye-Laws: Cllr Price had produced documentation regarding bye-laws. It had been verified that Southwick and Widley Parish council one of the council in place prior to Newlands Council formation did not have any bye-laws in existence. Denmead Parish Council had had a bye-law in place regarding dog fouling. Cllr Berry had contacted WCC about the matter, he was told that the Parish council cannot currently introduce bye-laws. The Chairman thanked Cllr Price for his work regarding this. It is a matter that will be returned to again in the future. **NOTED.**
- 124/23C Other reports: There were no other reports.

The next meeting of Full Council will be held on 11th May 2023.

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